

Aged Pensioners May Get Cost Of Living Bonus

OTTAWA.—The Dominion government, it was learned here from authoritative sources, is favorably considering adding a cost of living bonus to its monthly payments to the provinces for old age pensions which would raise the pensions by approximately \$5 a month, providing the provinces pay a share of the increase. Under the present federal statute, the Dominion government pays 75 per cent. of old age pensions for persons 70 years of age or over up to \$25 per month.

All the provinces pay such old age pensions up to the \$25 a month figure but some of them also add supplemental amounts.

Saskatchewan pays \$28 a month, adding a flat \$3 per month to the \$25 maximum of which the federal government pays 75 per cent.

Britain Outlines New Empire Defence System

LONDON.—Whitehall sources visualized the opening of a new era in Commonwealth defence, as the dominions developing regional defence systems and the United Kingdom looking forward to some lessening of her burden.

A. V. Alexander, defence minister designate under the government's new military plans, said in the house of commons defence debate that the United Kingdom seeks forces sufficient to hold "a situation" anywhere in the Commonwealth or Empire until United Nations aid could be obtained.

Significance was seen in the fact that Mr. Alexander spoke only for the United Kingdom, indicating that the dominions can act as they please; but no one in London doubts that the dominions and the United Kingdom will see eye to eye in any situation that now can be imagined.

Here are the Commonwealth defence steps envisioned in London:

1. Britain will proceed with development of a central organization under Mr. Alexander, recognizing her duty to protect colonial territories on all the seas and to provide her share to United Nations armed strength.

2. The dominions will provide regional systems wide enough to cover arrangements like Canadian-United States joint defence plans. Another instance of regional planning will be joint Australian-New Zealand defence co-ordination.

3. Liaison officers sent by the dominions to London, from London to the dominions, and exchanged by the dominions themselves, will keep in touch with defence arrangements in countries where they are stationed.

While developing a hard-hitting, modernized force which might be used anywhere in the world, Britain is not likely to be able to continue overall protection of trade routes with British warships on every sea lane. Canadian ships are expected to patrol the north Atlantic and north Pacific while Australian ships probably will operate in the Indian ocean and the southern Pacific. Home waters and the Mediterranean probably will continue to be watched by the British fleet and by British aircraft.

Scientific developments in defence will not be secrets within the Commonwealth. Blandishment of many weapons with the United States will facilitate association with that country.

Brig. Howard Douglas Graham, 48, of Trenton, Ont., will head the Canadian army liaison section in London. He is the first appointment made by the dominions under the new arrangement.

RECEIVE AWARDS

Fourteen R.C.A.F. Officers Given Decorations At Investiture In Winnipeg

WINNIPEG.—Thirteen officers and one non-commissioned officer of the Royal Canadian Air Force received decorations from Lt.-Gov. R. F. McWilliams of Manitoba at an investiture at No. 2 Air Command R.C.A.F. here.

The decorations included the George Medal, Distinguished Flying Cross, Member of the British Empire, British Empire medal and the Croix de Guerre.

The George medal was awarded to Flt. G. C. Abel of Melville, Sask., who returned to a burning aircraft to free a crew member who had been caught in the tail turret. Wing Cmdr. J. K. F. MacDonald of Antigonish, N.S., Flt. Lt. W. McPhail of Moose Jaw, Sask., and F.O. D. R. Penny of Abernethy, Sask., were among those receiving D.F.C.s.

The whale shark, largest living fish, has teeth only an inch long which are useless for biting.



ROYAL COMMISSION TO PROBE BRITISH PRESS—British newspapers call the government investigation of the British press, ordered by parliament after a bitter debate, "misleader" and "intolerable." Lord Kennelly, seen with Lady Kennelly, owns more than 20 newspapers, is blamed for "monopolistic" tendencies by inquiry supporters.

TAKES PEACE STAND

People Of World Are Against War Says Marshal Tito

BELGRADE.—Marshal Tito told a rain-soaked crowd estimated at 300,000 that he is certain there will be no war "because the people of the world don't want war."

"We want relations to be better, especially with America," he asserted, but contended that the impounding of Yugoslav boats on the upper Danube by United States authorities was an unfriendly action.

Marshal Tito attacked Winston Churchill as a man with a "heart of stone" and the leader of all "reactionaries" in the world.

TICKET STILL GOOD

NEW YORK.—An elderly woman handed a New Haven railroad conductor a ticket on boarding a train at New Rochelle, N.Y., and offered the explanation, that "I didn't buy it today." The conductor agreed. It was dated September, 1888. He honored the ticket, however, because at the time of the purchase there were no time limits for its usage.

COOPER NEEDED

LONDON.—Approximately 100 tons of copper will be required for campaign stars now being struck at the Royal Mint and Woolwich Arsenal at the rate of 15,000 a day.

Pandit Nehru Speaks To Tribal Leaders Of Troubled India



Emphasizing a point, Pandit Nehru gestures as he talks with tribal leaders of the Northwest Frontier province during meetings with chieftains. In Calcutta rioting, police opened fire on a group who were attacking Indian soldiers with knives. Six persons were removed to hospital suffering from acid burns in another clash.

Royalty Guests As Mountbatten's Daughter Weds Baron



Thousands witnessed wedding of Hon. Patricia Mountbatten and Lord Brabourne. Bridesmaids were her sister, Pamela, Princess Alexandra of Kent, Princess Margaret Rose, and Princess Elizabeth. Wedding reception was held at Broadlands, the Mountbatten home, where this family group was photographed. In back row, from left, are the Duchess of Kent, Viscount Mountbatten of Burma, the bridegroom, King George, Lady Mountbatten and C. Harris-St. John, the best man. Also Queen Elizabeth, the bride and four bridesmaids.

VAST PROJECTS

India Plans To Build World's Largest Dam

TORONTO.—Largest power project in the world—the Kosi dam—designed to improve living conditions for India's teeming millions will be launched in two years in the independent country of Nepal, Rai Bahadur A. N. Khosla, consulting engineer to the government of India, told a press conference.

The dam to be constructed on the twisting Kosi river, which brought destruction to vast areas of farmland in northern India when it overflowed during monsoon periods, will rise to 850 feet above foundation rock, 120 feet higher than the Boulder dam in Colorado.

Mr. Khosla, who predicted a great industrial future for India within 15 years, said negotiations now are being completed with the government of Nepal. He estimated the cost of the dam and another to be built on the east coast of India at \$500,000,000.

HEAVY SNOWFALL

Denver, Colorado, Experiences Worst Fall In 33 Years

DENVER.—Denver dug themselves out last week from under a 26-inch snowfall, the city's worst in 33 years, and attempted to get vital services operating even before the snow stopped falling.

Schools were closed, the state capital was shut down and city council called off a scheduled meeting.

Emergency snow removal crews worked on the city's streets, where thousands of automobiles and delivery trucks were stalled. Funeral services were called off. Garbage disposal was stalled.

Transportation from the south—where the storm struck almost as hard as in Denver—was almost at a standstill.



DRAWS FIVE YEARS ON SPY CHARGE—James Scotland Benning, 33, former munitions department official, found guilty of espionage activities by a 12-man jury, was sentenced to Kingston penitentiary for five years by Chief Justice J. C. McRuer. An appeal is anticipated.

BRITISH PROBLEM

Government Is Greatly Worried Over Acute Manpower Shortage

LONDON.—Prime Minister Attlee's Labor government is planning against future unemployment threats, but one of its biggest problems is, an acute manpower shortage.

While Herbert Morrison, lord president of the council, and his advisers draft long-term programs to keep the nation busy if world depression comes, campaigns are under way to find hundreds of thousands of extra workers for the mines, agriculture, construction and other industries.

Already more men and women are at work in home civilian industries for export than in 1939. But Sir Stafford Cripps, president of the board of trade, says there is still an "acute over-all labor shortage"—so severe there is "real danger" that British living standards will fall below the "country" can't produce enough.

At Aug. 31 the industrial population was 16,765,000 compared with 16,550,000 seven years before. Since 1939 was not a normal year it is estimated the August strength was probably some 650,000 below the actual peacetime level.

Wages for the home market numbered 4,885,000 against 4,680,000 at mid-1939 and export workers numbered 1,378,000 against 990,000. Despite these gains, the labor supply still is out of balance.

COST OF LIVING

Index Rose During The Month Of September

OTTAWA.—The cost-of-living index rose from 125.5 Sept. 3 to 126.8 Oct. 1 and the 1.3-point increase was largely due to higher milk prices, the Dominion bureau of statistics reported.

The food index increase was from 143.2 to 146.5 and the rent index increase from 112.8 to 113.4. Other indexes: fuel and light, 107.2 to 107.3; clothing, 129.6 to 130.2; home furnishings and services, 128.4 to 128.5. Miscellaneous items remained unchanged at 113.9.

Between Sept. 26 and Oct. 26 the composite index of farm product prices advanced 3.1 points to 113.2. The fluid milk increase was reflected in the animal products index increase of 7.6 to 136.7. Firm rye and hay quotations outweighed minor decreases in potato and onion prices to held the food products index to 99.1, a gain of 0.3.

Netherlands Ask German Land For War Damage

WASHINGTON.—The Netherlands asked the Big Four powers to hand over 700 square miles of German territory to compensate Holland for damage inflicted on its economy by the Germans.

The Netherlands ambassador, Alexander Louren, delivered the note containing the request in a call on the under-secretary of state, Dean Acheson. Similar notes were delivered simultaneously in London, Moscow and Paris.

None of the larger German cities in the border area would be annexed. The new frontier roughly would run slightly west of all those cities.

Mr. Louren told reporters after delivering the note that the Dutch would permit all of the 118,000 Germans involved, except those convicted of being Nazis, to remain in the area after transfer.

He asserted there would be "no real problem" about minorities because the residents of the area are principally farm folk and are not concentrated. That was the reason, he added, that the Dutch declined to claim any of the cities.

In addition to the border changes, the Dutch asked the Big Four powers for:

1. A number of German mining concessions, mainly on the left bank of the Rhine river, for a period of 40 to 60 years;

2. Guarantees against any future renewal of the German preferential charges on rail, road, and water transportation, "to the detriment of Netherlands ports";

3. Prohibitions on the construction of new canals which would tend to divert Rhine river traffic into "other than its natural channels";

4. Guarantees against renewed German monetary measures—such as those pursued by Hitler's government—which are detrimental to the Dutch economy.

World Food Situation To Be Discussed

LONDON.—President Truman and Foreign Secretary Bevin likely will discuss the world food situation when they meet in Washington, according to reliable quarters here.

The food situation will not be the only issue discussed but the fact that the British foreign secretary himself is stated to be initiating food discussions at the presidential level is interpreted as evidence of British anxiety to see what can be done to obtain equitable international distribution of essential foodstuffs.

British concern is generally recognized to relate not only to the domestic feeding of Britain, but of India, the British dominions and colonies and other countries in whose welfare she has either an interest or—as in the case of her zone of occupied Germany—a responsibility.

Britain, her own belt tightened to the same degree as in the worst days of the war, and with no immediate prospect of an increase in rations, has to speak for a great community of interests.

Despite the gradual transference of power to the people of India, for example, it is still Britain's duty to make sure that grain supplies, especially to the people of India, do not drop to a point that threatens recurrence of famine.

People in Britain recently were warned that the serious world wheat position might oblige the government to transfer part of Britain's curtailed wheat ration to India.

Britain has also a moral responsibility to aid her dominions and colonies which may in turn be affected by a straitened world food situation. An added complication of the present situation, particularly with reference to the grain crop, is that Canada, to a much larger extent than the United States, Britain's supplier, is behind schedule on deliveries.

This is not due to lack of supplies but to the existence of transport difficulties. Every effort, as being made, on both sides of the Atlantic, to speed up deliveries so that the food pipe line may work at fullest pressure.

CITRUS AREAS DAMAGED

LOS ANGELES.—Sub-freezing temperatures came to southern California citrus areas on the heels of a 48-hour rain storm which raked the sometimes sunny southland causing damage running into thousands of dollars. Ranchers said the winds blew some fruit to the ground, scared others. Planes were damaged at several airports; a dozen cabin crewers were sunk at their morning or noon ashore at beaches.

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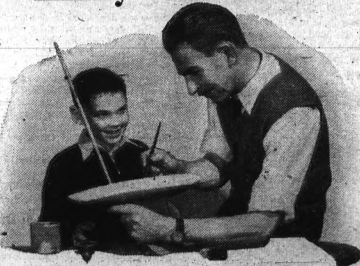
SEAWEED AS A BASIS FOR NEW INDUSTRIES

The old truth that the sea holds incalculable riches in its depths has been proved again through the work of the Scottish Seaweed Research Association, founded two years ago. The Chalmers and the Hebrides were formerly looked on as poor islands inhabited by fishermen, but the Association has produced evidence that there is incalculable wealth contained in the seaweed washed ashore there. Seaweed has shown that it has great nutritive value as well as being easily digestible. For this reason, it is admirably suited for use as fodder for sheep, pigs and poultry. It has further been established that a number of industrial products can be manufactured from seaweed such as lightweight synthetic wool, transparent paper, plastics, surgical tondages, medical supplies. According to reports actually received, it is expected that the industries for the exploitation of seaweed will bring much wealth to Scotland and the outlying islands.

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Ev who horses around too much may someday find himself a groom.

People talk about the rewards of honest labor and the joys of accomplishment but who doesn't relish winning even a hand-painted sofa cushion on a ten cent raffle ticket?

Some men are like the stump the old farmer had in his field—too hard to uproot, too knotty to split, and too wet and soggy to burn. The neighbors asked him what he'd do about it. "Well now, boys," he answered, "if you won't tell the secret, I'll tell you. I just plowed around it."

A physician back from war service was dining in a Vancouver hotel. He recognized in the waitress at his table a nurse who had worked with him overseas. The doctor blurted out his astonishment. "Not at all," said the ex-nurse serenely. "This job pays better, when you reckon in the tips. I still wait on some very nice people—and this time I don't need to worry whether their bowels are regular or not."—H. C. in Vancouver Province.

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COST OF MILK PRODUCTION

In a letter to the Lethbridge Herald, R. J. Deachman, of Ottawa, comments as follows:

Sir: I know it is almost impossible to find out. Still I would like it tried again. I want to know how much it costs to produce milk, the cost to be determined as are the costs of a chain store or any other smart business outfit.

There has been an investigation along these lines in the Crow's Nest Pass country. Here's the report of the largest producer. His name is Wm. Oliver, Blainmore, Alta. I reprint the figures from "The Macleod Gazette."

"Wm. Oliver, Blainmore, producer, stated he had the help of his wife and two boys and two hired men. He was the largest producer in the Pass."

"His financial statement showed milk receipts at \$14,645.78 and his milk subsidy at \$2,646.85 for a total income of \$17,292.63. His expenses totalled \$16,778.59, leaving a balance of \$502.04 out of which he had to pay himself, his two sons and recognize his wife's services. His statement

showed no reserve for depreciation."

All which goes to show that costs are rising and with rising costs certain industries are gradually being forced out of business. The answer is that the price of their product must also rise. Then a great many people will not be able to purchase it.

Right now in Ottawa, it is being argued that we must bonus housing. If we do, the bonus must be added to the tax rate. This adds to the cost of living, increases the demand for bonuses, makes it difficult for other industries to survive and so it goes.

We have had all kinds of suggestions in regard to bonusing people for doing nothing. We are spending millions for that purpose: "Family Allowances," "Old Age Pensions," "Unemployment Insurance." Some of these things may be alright but there's a limit. Will people who read and editors who write let us have suggestions which will increase the national income.

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THANKS TO RADAR

New radar equipment enabled the Hudson's Bay company's S.S. Neopole to cut five days and \$10,000 off her Arctic patrol last summer, with her radar "eye" the vessel was able at all times to steam without fear of sudden collision with icebergs in the Arctic fog.

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OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—Come And See Me

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LINDA fumbled in her purse as she walked along Boylston Street, pulled out a letter and compared the address with a building number. She didn't need to read the message again. "When you're in Boston about these dress designs, be sure to come and see me. I've a little office in the Castle Building. I'll be very disappointed."

"Why shouldn't I see him?" she thought subliminally. It had seemed reasonable enough before she left Chicago, but now doubts twisted in her mind. Harry had been very attentive when they met on the riding trail at that mountain resort. That she was a successful business woman, widowed more than ten years and with a son almost through high school, hadn't mattered then.

But holiday friendships fade rapidly, she reflected. And except that he'd once been married, she really knew little about him. His letters had been cordial, in an off-hand, man-like way. "I know you won't disappoint me—we've a lot to talk over." She shook her head as if clearing away misgivings. A body passed through the entrance and stepped in an elevator.

When Linda walked through the door marked "H. W. St. Clare, Public Counselor," she wasn't prepared for the slim, dark-haired girl who smiled inquiry. It hadn't occurred to her that Harry might have employees.

"Mr. Shore? I'm sorry, he's out just now. Won't you sit down?" Linda slid into a chair, and tried to appear composed. She thought, "What a fool I am. Why should Harry be interested in me? He must know dozens of girls like this one. How pretty she is! I know I'm not bad looking, but she must have at least fifteen years' advantage."

"Is there something I can do?" the girl said, adding confidently, "I handle a great deal of Mr. Shore's work."

Linda started to rise. "No, no, no, thanks. It doesn't matter." She saw the shadow of uncertainty in the girl's eyes, and explained, "It's just a personal call. I'm Mrs. Vale, from Chicago. Please tell Mr. Shore I'm sorry I missed seeing him."

The girl was on her feet now. "Mrs. Vale? Of course. I'll be right back. I'll get Mr. Shore."

Linda kept silent, distrustful of her voice. The girl continued, "Let's go inside. The chairs are much more comfortable."

Linda hadn't expected the magnificence of the private office. The great mahogany desk; wide windows showing a magnificent harbor view. Deep leather chairs. She thought of Harry as struggling to make a go of some small business. As he'd picked her up as a brief case, she'd certainly never had the opportunity to think he might—

then she looked on the desk and saw the photograph.

She wasn't really surprised. She wasn't shocked. That was over now. "I'm a grown woman," she thought. "I can control my emotions." The girl was watching her. "Do you like the picture? I had it taken last birthday," Linda spoke slowly, carefully. "It's lovely, my dear. Almost as lovely as the original. Mr. Shore must think a lot of you."

"There was a little blush in the girl's cheeks. "No more than I think of him. I think he's wonderful. I hope you do too."

Linda thought desperately. I must get out of here. I can't stand much more. To the girl she answered mechanically, "Indeed I do. But really, I must be going. Please give Mr. Shore my regards."

"Oh, no, please, Mrs. Vale. Let's have lunch together. I know a quiet little place where we can just talk and talk. I can't let you just run off like that. He's been looking forward to seeing you again."

"I'm so sorry," she mumbled. "Really impossible... previous engagement... I must go."

"Well, if you must, I'm sorry. Where are you staying, Mrs. Vale? The Ritz? Fine, I know he'll call you as soon as he comes in. Good-bye, Mrs. Vale. I hope to see you soon."

Linda stumbled down the corridor, thoughts tumbling around in her mind. I can't talk to Harry! That will only make it worse. He'll see what a fool I've been. I'll leave—go to some other hotel. I must tell that girl not to have him phone—I'll say I'm leaving town.

She turned and retraced her steps. At the office door she hesitated. She definitely, finally screwed up her courage and pushed through.

The girl was not in sight. No sound came from the private office. Mrs. Vale stepped out for a moment. Linda thought. I'll just wait. I've got to Harry mustn't phone!

PATENTS

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Her eyes rambled around the reception room taking in details she hadn't seen before. By the window was a small desk with a typewriter. A little slip of paper was stuck in the machine.

She refused to leave the paper. That's it! she thought. She's leaving him a note about my visit. Involuntarily she moved toward the window and leaned over the machine. I mustn't do that! she thought. One doesn't read personal notes. I must wait!

The few seconds she'd been standing there seemed like minutes—hours. Where was that girl? Her sense of propriety, her will-power, left her with a rush, she leaped over the paper, avidly reading the words.

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SOMETHING NEW

A newspaper was published for the first time in London, Ont., on school blackboards. Made up by students of the University of Western Ontario School of Journalism, it was complete in every detail. Professor G. W. McCracken, assisted by John C. Elliott, editorial writer on the London Free Press, directed student newsmen in editing copy selected from Canadian Press reports.

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Accident Of History

Brought Alaska Under American Control Nearly 80 Years Ago

History has many "ifs." And they are the ground for much intricate speculation. Some of these "ifs" are classic. What, for instance, would have happened had Cleopatra's nose been longer than it was? Or what would have happened if Marshal Blucher had been unable to reach the field of Waterloo?

But there are "ifs" that bear upon the future rather than upon the past. Such, for instance, is the "if" concerning Alaska. For what would our experts in the military defence of the Western Hemisphere be thinking if Russia had retained its possession of Alaska?

Alaska has come into the news recently when its citizens voted two to one to have their territory made a state of the American union. But it was little more than one of the accidents of history that brought Alaska in the first place under American control.

Upon this vast northern area the Russians had established a primary claim. It was discovered by Russian Cossacks, who are believed to have reached the Alaskan coast about the last quarter of the 16th century. Further Russian exploration and some degree of Russian settlement followed. But the strategic importance of Alaska seems to have wholly eluded the attention of the interests of the Cossaks. To the Cossaks it was nothing more and nothing less than a source of furs.

Negotiations for the disposal of Alaska by sale to the United States were begun as early as 1856. Finally, in 1867—which was, incidentally, the year of the Confederation of Canada—William H. Stewart, U.S. Secretary of State, negotiated the treaty by which the United States acquired this vast area for the sum of \$7,200,000 in gold.

The sum now seems insignificant. But at the time of the purchase many American citizens considered Alaska to be only a remote and useless mass of rock, ice and snow. Alaska to them was "Steward's Folly."

But Stewart's folly is now Stewart's prudence. Some American military specialists have cast anxious eyes towards the great northlands. Certainly there would be grounds for some uneasy ponderings if the Soviet Union now held this immense bridge-head into the Western Hemisphere.—Montreal Gazette.

ONE SURE WAY

Two men were discussing motoring as they sat in the club. "I was once buying a used car from a garage owner," said one. "Of course, he praised it, and since I was a novice, I knew nothing about it, but I found a way of discovering all its defects."

"That sounds incredible," said the other.

"Well," continued the first man, "this is how I did it. I took the car out on trial and drove it to another dealer, and asked him to buy it."

Dry mustard is a water softener.

Better In Canada

Canadian Dollar Buys More Than Dollar In United States

The St. Catharines Standard says Washington reports, taking 1941 as a yardstick for the dollar at 100 cents, that the value of the American dollar has shrunk to a current 89 cents. This is arrived at from the cost of living index.

Goods scarcity, housing shortage and abnormally high rentals, high prices of staple food commodities, are all factors in the inflationary trend. The assumption is that after the first flurry, following decontrol, in the United States, the decline in the value of the dollar will halt.

The question mark is: What is the Canadian dollar worth as compared to 1939? That its value has gone down somewhat, that a dollar won't go nearly as far now as a few years ago is obvious. But when Canadian and American prices are compared for such things as butter, meat, even milk, and many other essentials, it is certain that the Canadian position is more favorable on the whole for the average consumer. This is only possible by retention of certain controls and also by the system of subsidies, which is still in force for a considerable number of commodities, including household coal, as one example.

LASTED FOUR YEARS

Volcanic dust hung in the air for four years after the eruption of Krakatoa, between Java and Sumatra. More than a cubic mile of dust was hurled into the air by the explosion.



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"No peck more!" wailed Ida, glancing at Ruth. "The game's over. Besides, your husband looks as though he has something on his mind."

"I sure have," said Bill. "Only I'd like the other 11,506,651 Canadians to hear this too. Today I got hold of some figures that made me proud of the business I'm in. We Canadians now own more than 10 billion dollars worth of life insurance. And payments? During 1945 alone, the companies paid out about 66½ million dollars to widows, children and other beneficiaries. And another 95 million dollars was paid to living policyholders through matured endowments, dividends, disability claims, annuities and cash surrender values. That's what life insurance is doing for us Canadians."

"These life insurance benefits helped to pay off mortgages on homes, start youngsters off to college, settle older people into comfortable retirement. Countless families have thanked their stars for life insurance in time of need. Many, many others who are now building future security through their policies will be glad of it. But I want every living Canadian to realize the importance of Life Insurance."

Every life insurance dollar, while waiting to be paid out to its claimant, is working and growing in the service of the public, creating more jobs and more goods for more Canadians. Of that dollar about 37 cents is now invested in Government bonds, 5 cents is loaned for municipalities, 20 cents is building industries and public utilities from coast to coast. It comes in its farm and urban mortgages, another 5 cents is on loan to policyholders, 1½ cents is represented by real estate and 3½ cents is in cash and miscellaneous assets.

Life insurance not only grows in the scope of its protection, year after year, but is continually being employed for socially desirable purposes.

A message from the Life Insurance Companies in Canada and their agents.

*Population of Canada, 1941 census, 11,506,651.

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Local and General Items

Mrs. C. Fraser will return home Friday morning from Creston, B.C.

C. J. Tompkins is down from Calgary on one of his periodical business visits.

Mrs. J. Wilson and daughter Jean, of Foremost, spent the weekend in Blairmore.

In the early hours of the morning the district received a visit (?) from a snow storm.

Archie Hobson is a patient in the Belcher hospital Calgary but is expected home soon.

Mrs. J. Mison entertained on Wednesday afternoon at tea in honor of Mrs. W. J. Treanor.

Frank Swann, of the department of municipal affairs, Calgary, paid the Pass a business visit this week.

Pete Colombo, of Creston, is visiting in the Pass this week and paid The Graphic a call last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Hayre and son Eric, of Foremost, spent the holiday week end with friends in Bellevue.

John Chamberlain and John Laro were down from Calgary to spend the holiday week end with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Dixon and infant daughter, Carol Ann, of Calgary, paid a visit to Mrs. Vera Kriksky on Armistice Day.

Mrs. W. H. Chappell returned from Lethbridge on Wednesday after a five weeks visit with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kerr.

On Wednesday evening at the Anglican hall a party was held in honor of Mrs. C. Harmer a British, B.C. She was given a warm welcome and presented with many useful gifts.

The sermon subject at Central United church, on Sunday evening will be "Hoses and the Divine Lover", the story of a man who only came to understand God's love through his own personal unhappiness. You are cordially invited to be present at this service.

IN MEMORIAM

ZAK—In Loving Memory of my dear wife, who passed away November 15, 1944.

The years may wipe out many things
But this they'll wipe out never,
The memory of those happy days
When we were all together.

We think of her in silence
Her name we oft recall,
But there's nothing left to answer
But her picture on the wall.
Just when her life was brightest,
Just when her hopes were best,
God called her from among us
To a home of eternal rest.

Ever remembered by loving husband, Henry.

ZAK—In Loving Memory of our dear mother, who passed away on November 15, 1944.

Two dear bright eyes, a tender smile.
A loving heart that knew no guile.
Deep trust in God that all was right.
Her joy to make some other bright.
If sick or suffering one she knew,
Some gentle act of love she'd do.
No thought of self, but of "the other";
I know He said, "Well done, dear mother."

Ever remembered by sons Henry and Joe and families.

ZAK—In Loving Memory of our dear daughter and sister, who passed away on November 15, 1944.

A precious one from us is gone,
A voice we loved is stilled;
A place is vacant in our home
That never can be filled.
Oh, dearest one, how we miss you!
And as dawns another year,
In our lonely hours of thinking
Thoughts of you are ever near.
Oh, how long and sad the day
Since from earth you passed away!
We miss your sweet and smiling face;
We miss you everywhere.
Forgotten to the world by some you may be,
But dear to our memory you always will be.

Pondly remembered by Mother, Mrs. Vysholits; sister, Mrs. Roboch; and brother Frank, Enderby, B.C.

Mrs. H. Manson is confined to his home with a leg injury.

Mr. S. Bannan is in Calgary this week attending the trustees convention.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Pinkney and Mr. Fred Gavlin left for Calgary Thursday morning to attend the funeral of the late Mr. H. Hagglund.

St. Anne's annual bazaar will be held in Columbus hall next Wednesday, the 20th, opening at 2:30 p.m. Usual features will include hand work and home cooking, toy booth, tea, etc. In the evening bingo will be in order and tombola drawing will take place.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

My wife, Rosie Terlecki, having left my bed and board, I will not be responsible for any debts incurred by her from this date, November 15, 1946.

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